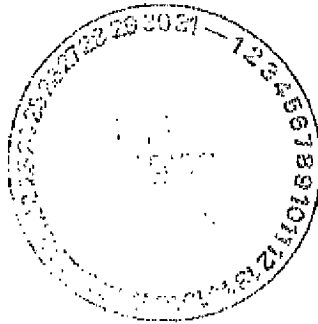


Exhibit 14

Tracy Streeter, Director
 Kansas Water Office
 Att: Economic Development Testimony
 901 S Kansas Avenue
 Topeka, KS 66612-1249



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Dear Mr. Streeter:

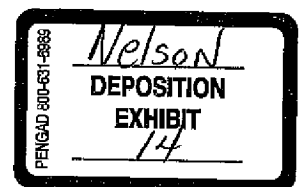
I would like to comment on the Kansas Water Office (KWO) News release regarding hearings on state and local cooperation no development at federal reservoirs.

I am the Superintendent of the Kansas Bostwick Irrigation District #2, located in Courtland, Kansas serving irrigators and their communities in Republic and Jewell Counties. This irrigation creates economic support throughout these counties and is a valuable asset to the area. Your news release states, "The Kansas Water Authority will conduct two public hearings on its policy recommendations to create a multi-agency group to work locally within private and public entities interested in development at and adjacent to federal reservoirs." a series of bullets follow some of which could cause concerns for the district regarding use of federal lands around the reservoirs. The last bullet dealing with irrigation districts water rights, causes us a great deal of concern and reads as follows:

Pursue initiatives that would enhance the recreational use and economic value of central and western Kansas reservoirs primarily by improving the reliability of their water levels, particularly by negotiating with irrigation districts to sell all or part of their water rights.

This irrigation district as well as others from Federal reservoirs is a political subdivision of the State, has long-term contracts with the Federal Government, and holds water rights with the State of Kansas, which are senior in nature. For any state agency to set policy to encourage other uses in an attempt to negotiate these rights away would be just plain wrong. Only upon request from the irrigation districts, would it be appropriate to even consider such negotiations. If that would happen, the United States Bureau of Reclamation would be a party to such negotiations. Until that happens, the State should in no way encourage others to approach this concept, which may cause concern and conflict.

I thank you for this opportunity to comment and am available to answer any questions.



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